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### **REMARKS**

By the present response, Applicants have amended claims 1, 9, 12 and 18 to further clarify the invention and move limitations from the preamble to the body of the claims. Claims 1-22 are pending in this application. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

In the Office Action, claims 1-22 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,014,164 (Woodgate et al.). The Examiner is requested to consider the remarks in Applicants' previous Amendment filed November 6, 2006 with regard to this Supplemental Amendment.

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### **CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that claims 1-22 are now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, early allowance of such claims is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney, Frederick D. Bailey, at the telephone number listed below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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